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That celebrated person, John Brown, of Ossawatomie, Kansas, and numerous other places, departed this life in what is now West Virginia, on the 2nd day of December, 1859; having been duly tried and executed under the laws of the state of Virginia Recently I expressed an opinion that the whole affair had been badly managed on the part of the Virginians, and that much tribula, tion could have been avoided if t'e Virginians could have had a tra e of humor at the pretensions of John Brown and twenty-two men who tok over the armory at Harpers Ferry under the name of the Provisional Government of the United States If the Virginians could have seen the ridiculous side of the affair before any blood had been shed, and before any harm had been done, there need not have been any particular excitement in the nation, and John Brown and his Can-dian army would have been laughed out of existence There was plenty of time for a gun was not fired until the next day.

So the Virginians dignified th failure of John Brown to a semble a sizable army by calling out a couple thousand troops, and a weak presi dent in the White House sent the solemn Robert E. Lee and the marines, and in one way or another wiped out the whole army of the Provisional Government of the Uni ted States, and thereby sowed the dragon's teeth for a civil war. Just as surely as the Philistines sowed dragon's teeth when they took Sam son, and bound him and put out his eyes The ultimate result was that the dead that he slew at his death were more than they which he slew in his life.

In the case of the slaughter of the the Danes on St Bryce's Day, by order of the English king. Ethelred all the Danes, men, women and chidren in every town in England were ordered to be secretly stain, and in retaliation, the Danes tavaded Eng tand, and for six years earried fire and sword to every part of it, and corquered the country.

The execution of John Brown had an immediate reaction on the North In the address from the commission er from Alabama to the governor of Kentucky, dated December 27, 1860 asking that Kentucky assert her and pendence, the following passage

Nor is this the mere ebullition of a few haif crazy fanalics, as is abondantly apparent from the sympathy manifested all over the North, where. upon Virginia, who died upon the his trial and execution was a secure a name of secure and approved personal security, and of thousands of secure a name of the time to be retained as untimated the trial and execution who are the security and of thousands of secure and approved personal security, and the property of the security and the security gallows, a condemned felon, is cele brated with public honors, and his name is cannonized as a martyr to liberty.

This is true today, and it was true from the date of John Brown's exe eution. It was not only death that the government presented to John Brown but immortal fame. Long after the fame of Lincoln, Grant, Lee, and Jackson have become dim, the fame of John Brown will be bright and effu gent.

It was no doubt part of the eternal plan but it is a pity that the Virgintane could not have risen to the pecasion and passed the word along that no one was to hurt one hair on John Brown's head, nor that of any of his. followers. Sufficient time elapsed between the raid and the first shot to have given the Prisident of the United States and the Governor of Virginia a chance to size up the situation and act A dispatch to the effect that when the provisional government got tired of parading around Harpers Ferry to send them home unhurs would have been com mon sense of a higher order

By a letter dated July 28, 1862. Governor John Letcher. Governor of Virginia, (Confederate,) wrote a letter to G. W. Randolph, Secretary of War, C. S. A.

He recites that the code of Virginia, 4860, treats of treason against the sovereignity of Virginia and ixes the punishment of death The third section relates to aftempting of instigating others to establish a usurped government within the limits of this Commonwealth. Under this act John Brown and his associ ates in crime were indicted, tried convicted, and executed."

The above is the exact language Letgher used in his letter. The of ject of the communication was t request that certain prisoners taken by Stonewall Jackson who were rest dents and citizens of Virginia, who were recruited for the federal army in the northwestern part of Virgidia, be turned over to the State authori ties to be tried for treason agains' Virginia. That this recruiting was done by authority of a usurped you ernment which had been inaugurated in thas part of the State

This request not being compiled with it was renewed by Governor Letcher by communication dated. August 15, 1862 Referred to Jeffer son Davis. Davis cirected that cases referred to be inquired into, stating that it could only be decided after specifications.

September 12, 1862, Governor Letcher specified the case of Dr. William P. Rucker, captured at Sum mersville, specifications, horse steal ing and murder, and enclosed three

October 2, 1862, the Secretary of War informed the Governor that Dr Rucker would be delivered for trial by the state courts for murder and. horse stealing, and this rendered it unnecessary to discuss the policy of initiating trials for treason or to de termine whether the Government would have delivered him up on the charge of treason alone.

And that seems to have been the end of treason trials in Virginia, John Brown and his gang being the

the only victims. Local people recall the case of Dr. Rucker. He was turned over to the

Covington. Allegheny county, and known that men are authorized by she the highest living authority on the Major- McKinley, afterwards Presidene of the United States, server if anything happened to his friend the precedent of Darina Green that president consists in showing that notice on the county authorities that Dr. Rucker, that it would be bettetitat infilstones had been hung about their necks and that they had been drowned in the depths of the sea, or words to that effect. It is said that after the court house ring heard that they went into a deep conference at ed the jail and crept away and Dr canontas county, and died in recent but I got the impression that he did not have many intimate friends among the extreme southerners He

was a most vehement trial lawyer. The document of Gov-rnor Letcher requesting that every man who enlist and Lincoln had declared that he had ed from West Virginia in the federal no purpose to introduce subdical or Optober, he setzed the arsenal and army be tried for treason unier a Virginia statute invoked in the case of John Brown, is to be found in the Official Records of the War of the Rebellion, series II volume IV page

rake the 10th West Virginia Regi ment, Col. Harris, commander, for instance, a simon pure West Vir vinta regiment recruited from the last so long, in the State, where it central part of West Virginia, and then existed, and yet be in the course imagine them turned over to a Virgintan Circuit Court to be tried? sion than occurred when the colored It has been said that it is impossi ole to indict and try a whole nation The people who passed the Volstead however, and in some of the the United State 8. northern cities, it looks like the govrnment was called upon to take no tice of and prosecute more persons than can be accommadated by the have been sowing dragon's teeth. that have sprouted into a kind of a rebellion. Let us hope and pray that would have been suffer an algorithm. the question may be settled by peac ful balloting at the polls.

Wilson must have foreseen the the effect of the law when he vetoed the bill, making a safe appeal of truth to time.

There is a sanction that is more important than the law itself, and that is the approval of the people, for it often occurs in the history of nations that certain laws become dead letters as they are called by reason of a general refusal to accept goat in the dread'un affilm ttiem. That is not the case with the Voistead act in the rural communities, but if we can believe what we and contessover time a contessover time a contessover time a contessover time accompanies some of the big cities.

ed by any of the thinkers of the na Commonwealth, and as they of agent, they of August, 13.8 tion, for I find no report of any de and sew and burned with these capusion in his case by either the Su- tives, they howled at the a preme Court of the United Saates voices: nor of the Su; reme Court of Appeals John Brown's body thes more former that John Brown's case was clearlya ing on! violation of a constitutional law that | And the other side would gut and fore me'as required by the decree in lions of men inco the armies that take that and that

event. In the case of raiding small Howe, and she store lend with: a Angust, 1928 cities like Harpers Ferry, there are party to watch some Loud name over Carrie Dreppard Smith all degrees of crimes, from the ex outside of the city, and the whole will be in the bead caboodle were channel that but the Willie M. Smith alias Willie M. of the creek who takes a shot at a city by the releas. That as unit in her Sowards s gn to the bandits , who hold up and sleep there came to her this wants of rob a bank and kill those who op the justly famous statute flynn of

robbers ride into a small place and the coming of the Lord. He is drawing kill the bankers and attempt to ride ling out the vintage where the grades away with the swag, that it is the of wrath spe shared Re hadh mosed duty of the authorities, if not the the fateful hightning of files terrible private citizens, to shoot and shoot swift sword, His touch is marriage

with armed followers would come to the vim that is in ma just as the such a town and intimate to the federa's chant the mility earning of mayor that he has not been running Maryland, My Maryland, he government according to rules that regulate the universal brother- produced by mandened mea more hood of man, and would saize the has equalled the Martellane at the office and usurp the powers, would Enancipation, otherwise Francia as or slaughter? If the mayor had a Say that the retines wonds if Julia there be a case presented for laughter serse of the ridiculous he would Ward Howe never wone soing to case submit to the temporary deposition alry charge or becomed access no from office, and wait until the fanat- when the words of Both Roman's ties had departed. In such a case it B dy foamed out of mysidhs of the would be a pity to open fire and kill warriors, death was an one are the invaders, though if it did not bring up a controversial question, the battle cry was that no sine elect thew evil would not extend outside of the how it started. It shemes the applied

But in the event that the raid fighting men of the Keetle, when they would raise a burning issue like that beard that John Brown haff good she of slavery or prohibition, then it penalty of death on the gallows for would require great wisdom in the his statutory and common law handling of the question.

Brown captured the armory at in Fancuil Hall in Noston, Sorte Class Harpers Ferry that he was careful ely following that development That not to appropriate the cash and the night all over the outs of Beston currency of which there was a targe young men and boys mor all the sum in the office. He was laboring streets by thousands changes. Tell. under the obsession that he had but John Andrew John Straws a Dynd to proclaim himself president of the And in a few days the some of we sing United States, and that by some words was 'address and four mysterious means, he would be ac ing the war it was the only song of copted as such, and a new era would the Civil War that was beard one

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scrupulously respected. It was the year before, 1 that that the country was ringing with the debate between Lincoln and Banglas. forward to a settlement or the quastion, by which singers should be be stricted to the place where wanting on, J. Herson and Madison had placed it, and not be allewed to sprend That the institution mains be left alone for a bundred years, at an assoult of ultimate exidention

It is a fair merpretation There would have been more confu- state of John Brown's actions, that he was chraged prer thus take of a man climbed the tree to grao the hundred years more of what and possum and grabbed a wildcat instead the phrase of withtnabe exceptions that mad : him despute of a a - mon-line to free the slaves through the Epublican party, and made than some act did not take much stock in that mit the overt act of treason against

As the Bishop Temark m nister. "Do not take yourself w damned seriously " Sper Vigginia had been able to see a puce. I remidure courts. In a way the prohibitionists to say, that not a life would have been tak in not a stave lost, and that John Brown and kilkarisking all sein and there would have heen in g to

God's ways seem dary the soon in late, they reach the stancy man day. Whittier wrote that accust the affair thoughde af er waste sunew a justified it by saying of Berward Ossawotomie, that there persented with him the folly that most discusses

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hear and what is openly discussed in of the children of larger and an american print, something like an open defi transgressions in at these sale. ance to the Volstead act exists in putting them apon the act of the insistence in six and twelve goat, and send him awas to the him There is a remarkable feature of of a fit man into the withers a.

of West Virginia. It would indicate in the grave, but his son gives magen perify that the above named Special

it was not worth arguing about, and stab, and year Hang J. T. Shane my a said cause. yet it had the effect of putting mit s ur apple tree, would set Then

the Republic', and size worse them many and for general relief. This

It is easy to see that in a case like down in the dark with a penger that of a Jesse James raid where "Mine eyes have seen the control of the case of the control of the case of the case

But suppose a case when a man We confederates should be with all

But of all the terrible sings arise

One of the strange fleatures of the spontaneous from the line of the

ofienses in Virginia The records show that when John |. On the night of the great meeting stantly on the streets of Lumbus

It has been a familiar ming and band piece to me in the south all my Hife. As a collect I did not know that It was a bit of murie that had the ing words in it, and where but seem? directed against my souls and Julia Ward Howe when see Trat

son county tells the whole twe. The Virginians had a perfect of Fe account the old man They carried on the trisi with an exaggerated symmet for sale at a reasonable price. Phope. fair sees. They dropped the coolin write or call guished prisoners with enquisite Spice, w va courtest. He testated to the kind-Christian blood that followed mil John Brown lost ads case and won pairing.

mmortal fame. I sent word to boyd Im

THE POCAHONTAS TIMES civil authorities and landed in jall at dawn, and all would be well. It is a Souther, the great historian, and ides of reason. One man will become I John Brown case, that I was going obsessed with the below? that he can glo enter upon his subject and give it walk on the wa er / ami more is little original treatment. That held so many years that he mult by but at that unhappy time that we Virginiums, had rides as thick as the have justified Mr. Are as to a contain injunctorias but that we were weak in regard to a sense of the ridiculous, and therefore set in a fit mood to handle a political question

John Brown was born 1890 in Connecticut. He was raised in Ohio Ey trade he was a tamper . He was a consistent member of the C agrees. ized a pand of free soil adjocates and overcame a party of ten times . his number who had invaded Kutsas rom Missouri and sought to estab ish s avery there In May, 1859; he ra et a sicret convention of the friends of freedom which met at Chatham, Canada. In the following social equality between sine office acrossy at Harpers Ferry He was and black races. And chut he looked twice married and had twenty child-

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